



June 30, 1975

Mr. Walter A. Scheiber
Executive Director
Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments
1225 Connecticut Avenue, Northwest, Suite 201
Washington, District of Columbia 20036

Dear Mr. Scheiber:

Tina Hobson suggested that I forward a copy to you of the Environmental Protection Agency's response to Councilman Hobson's April 28, 1975 letter, requesting their analysis of the National Center for Resource Recovery's engineering and economic feasibility study.

Apparently EPA believes that the priorities set forth in the study are reversed. While the NCRR study stresses the materials recovery aspect as the system's driving force, EPA's position is that energy recovery should be the system's primary focus. According to the Environmental Protection Agency about 65 to 75 percent of the incoming waste stream can be recovered through energy recovery techniques, whose technology has been proven, but only 15 to 20 percent of the solid waste stream can be recovered through materials recovery methods, whose technology is risky at best.

Moreover, the analysis of the feasibility study shows that the capital costs could be as much as 50 percent higher than the estimates presented in the study and that the operating costs could also be significantly higher.

Sincerely,

Paul Sanders Brown, Executive Assistant to Councilmember Julius W. Hobson

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June 27, 1975

Mr. Matthew Watson, Auditor Office of the District of Columbia Auditor Room 936 - The Munsey Building 1329 E Street, Northwest Washington, D.C. 20004

Dear Mr. Watson:

Thank you for your response of June 12, 1975. However, there are several questions concerning the contractural arrangements among the District of Columbia, the Council of Governments, and the National Center for Resource Recovery, Inc. (NCRR) that remain unclear.

Specifically with regard to the District's role in the contractural proceedings with the National Center for Resource Recovery:

- . When was the initial request for proposal on recycling urban waste issued? Where did it originate? Who drafted the request?
- According to an article in the Washington Star News (see the enclosure), 52 companies received a request for proposal. How many of them responded? What specific companies submitted proposals? What person or organization within the District Government or outside it, reviewed these responses?
- . What process was involved in authorizing the District to approve the contract made by the Waste Management Agency of the Council of Governments with the National Center for Resource Recovery for the feasibility studies. Was there money budgeted for the District to participate in undertaking this project through C.O.G.?

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With respect to the Council of Government's role:

- Did C.O.G. put out a competitive bid for the resource recovery feasibility study that was submitted to the City Council as the basic support document to justify funding the proposed resource recovery facility at Lorton, Virginia?
- In the field of resource recovery there are a number of organizations who are equally competent. Did C.O.G. go for a sole source contract with the National Center for Resource Recovery rather than procurring a contract on a competitive basis? Who was the chairman of the Waste Management Agency at the time the contract with the National Center for Resource Recovery was concluded? Is it ethical for a responsible D.C. official to approve a contract which was made on a sole source basis?
- In addition to the C.O.G. contract have any other contracts been made with the National Center for Resource Recovery?

The Council is working under a 90 day extension period before any work on the project can begin, and we therefore request a response as soon as possible. If we can help in any way please contact my office. I will be happy to cooperate in any way.

Sincerely,

Julius W. Hobson Councilmember at large

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cc: Rev. Jerry A. Moore, Jr., Chairperson,
Committee on Transportation and Environmental Affairs
William McKinney, Director,
Department of Environmental Services

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Edward Webb, General Counsel

Julius W. Hobson

June 27, 1975

Amendment to Appropriation Act of 1975 calling for a 90 day delay before expending or committing any funds for the construction of a resource recovery system.

In their report on the Fiscal Year 1976 Budget adopted on April 29, 1975. the City Council approved \$9.6 million for a resource recovery system. However, the approval was based on an understanding that the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Environmental Services would consult with the Federal Energy Agency and the United States Environmental Protection Agency to gain additional information on new resource recovery systems and obtain technical assistance. To these milde Mayor is to report to the Council within 90 days after the date of adoption of the FY 76 Appropriations Act on the results of the consultation..." In addition, no part of the \$9.6 million will be expended or committed and no contract concluded by the District for a resource recovery system until the Council has reviewed the Mayor's report.

Legally when does the 90 day period begin? When does the period end?

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COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

- WASHINGTON, D. C. 20004

June 27, 1975

Ms. Jacqueline Watson
Director, Social Functions
The American Institute of Architects
1735 New York Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Ms. Watson:

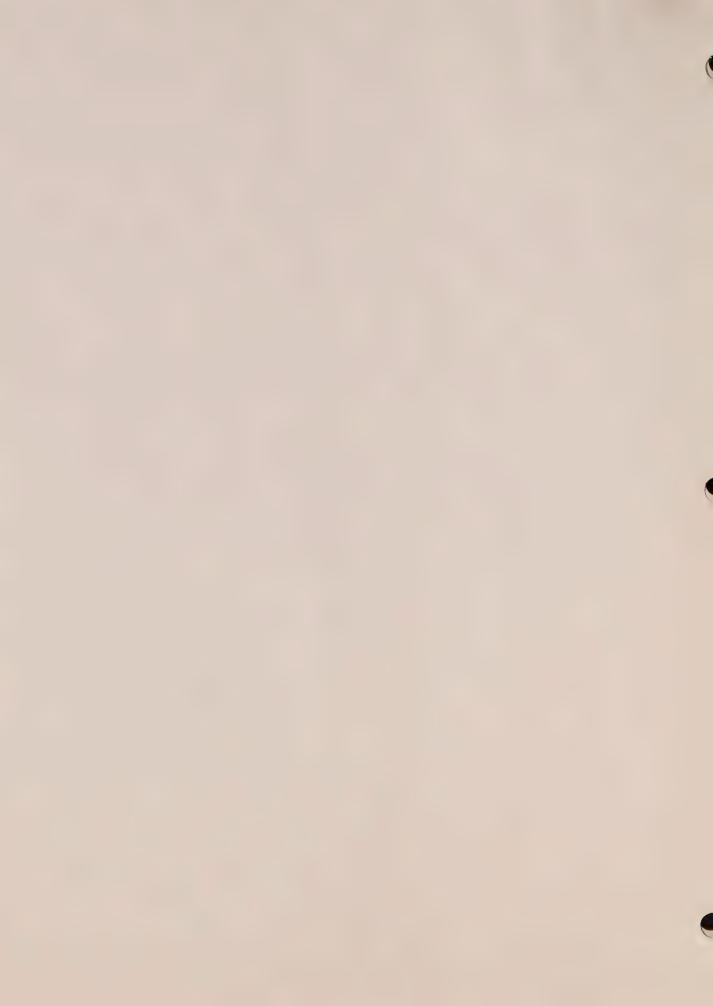
Enclosed are several rough copies of draft legislation to eliminate architectural barriers to the handicapped and the aged. The basic thrust of the bill requires that all newly constructed buildings or substantially remodeled ones be designed to eliminate architectural impediments for the handicapped.

I would appreciate any comments or suggestions which you or others at the American Institute of Architects may have on improving and strengthening this draft bill. Mr. Hobson wants to introduce legislation to eliminate architectural barriers before the City Council's August recess and would greatly appreciate any input you could provide.

I would be glad to meet and discuss the bill with you at any time which is convenient.

Sincerely,

Paul Sanders Brown
Executive Assistant to
Councilmember Hobson



June 26, 1975

Mr. Ralph Temple
American Civil Liberties Union
Suite 451
3000 Connecticut Avenue, Northwest
Washington, D.C. 20008

Dear Ralph:

Enclosed is a copy of the New York City Police Department's Public Security Guidelines which may help you in drafting legislation in the area for the District.

I am also in the process of obtaining similar guidelines for the conduct of police surveillance and investigations from Los Angeles and will forward a copy to you as soon as they arrive.

I deeply appreciate the work and help you have given to me in this area.

Sincerely,

Julius W. Hobson Councilmember at large

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June 23, 1975

Mr. Monteria Ivey, Sr.
Director
National Capital Housing Authority
1170 12th Street, Northwest
Washington, D.C. 20430

Dear Mr. Ivey:

Enclosed is a letter from Mrs. Carrie Thorne concerning her application for housing.

I would like to know the status of her application for housing including a brief summary of any problems involved by June 30th. In your summary please discuss what actions you have taken and what further steps you plan to take in the processing of her application.

I look forward to hearing from you and thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Julius W. Hobson Councilmember at large

June 23, 1975

Mr. Sam Williams
Los Angeles Police Commission
150 N. Los Angeles Street
Room 150-B
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Mr. Williams:

I understand after reading an article entitled "Spread of Police Snooping" in the June 9, 1975 edition of the <u>U.S. News and World Report</u> that guidelines were issued in April, 1975 to the Los Angeles Police Department concerning the conduct of investigations and surveillance. Among the points stressed were:

- First, the emphasis in the conduct of investigations would be shifted from organizations or individuals with "subversive ideologies" to those who are actually committing or threatening to commit acts "disruptive of the public order in Los Angeles" and
 - Second, the intelligence division would be directed to refrain from opening or keeping any file on an organization or person "based on political belief, race, creed, nationality, ethnic background, sex or segual orientation or a person's position as a public official or as a candidate."

The City Council of the District of Columbia is presently condidering legislation on establishing similar police guidelines for non-criminal surveillance and investigation, and I would like to request copies of the

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regulations set up for the Los Angeles Police Department.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Julius W. Hobson Councilmember at large ----

Mr. T. J. Behrens, Jr., Chief, Telephone Communications and Administrative Division, Department of Highways and Traffic Fred J. Aranha, Jr., Director, Support Services, City Council June 20, 1975

Request for "Bell Boy" Unit

This is to request one "Bell Boy" unit for Councilmember Julius W. Hobson.

There is in my possession "Bell Boy" Unit #666-3294, which I assume was assigned to a former Councilmember and was not returned when this person terminated his or her service on the Council. It may now be reassigned upon your approval.

Justification for this request is supported by the unusual circumstances under which Mr. Hobson serves on the Council. This unit will allow him to maintain contact with his office throughout the day whenever it may be necessary for him to be absent from the building.

Thank you.

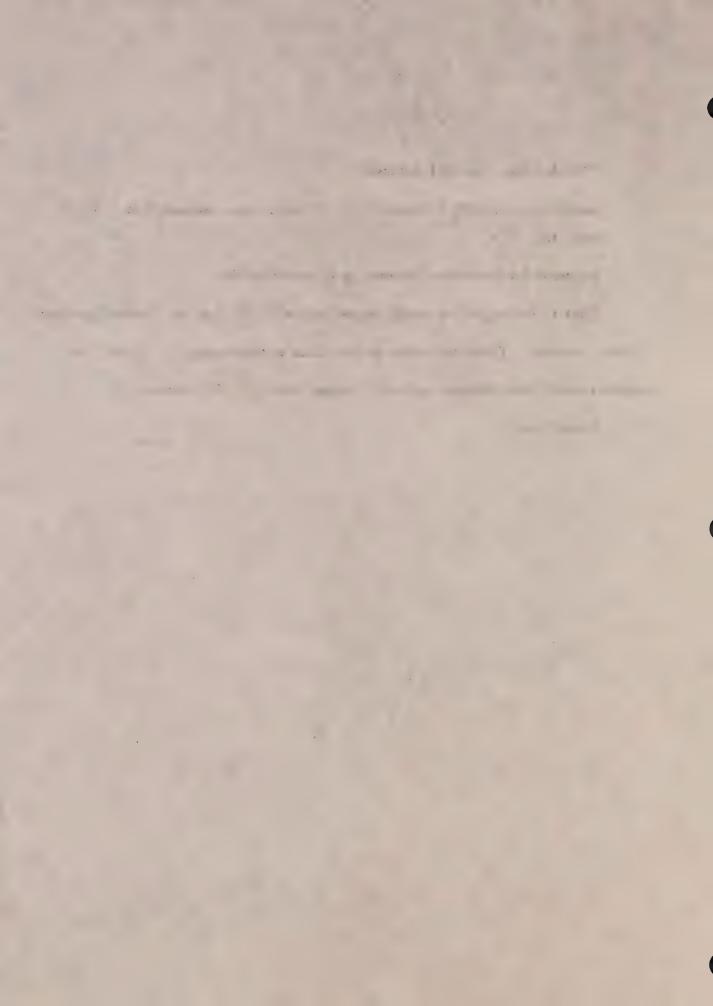
Fred Aranha, Support Services

Lorraine McCottry, Administrative Assistant, Councilman Hobson June 17, 1975

Request for furniture for use by Councilmember

This is to request a small maga zine table for use by Councilmember Julius Hobson. (Table is listed in the Ginn's catalogue) It should be approximately $14\frac{1}{2}$ inches high, 20 inches wide and 48 inches long.

Thank you.





COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20004

June 19, 1975 .

Ms. Judy Rogers
Legislative Assistant to Mayor
District Building
14th & E Streets, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Ms. Rogers:

I am writing to request the Mayor's comments and fiscal impact considerations on four bills which were introduced in the Council of the District of Columbia on March 18, 1975 and referred to the Committee on Education, Recreation and Youth Affairs. These Bills are:

- Bill 1-48 (Child Labor-to extensively revise the Child Labor Laws for the District of Columbia)
- Bill 1-50 (TSA Positions-to amend the District of Columbia Teachers' Leave Act of 1946 to authorize the eligibility of temporary TSA class 15 employees for advance emergency leave)
- Bill 1-51 (Teachers Salaries-authorize administrative or supervising school officers who are granted sabbatical leave to receive one-half of their annual salaries)
- Bill 1-53 (Education Services-to authorize the Board of Education of the District of Columbia to accept and use free and voluntary services)

I know that you have specific suggestions and have had some informal



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comments which you communicated to the Committee staff, especially on Bills 1-48 and 1-53. Our Committee awaits the Mayor's response on these Bills so that we can proceed with our consideration of them.

Sincerely,

JULIUS W. HOBSON, Chairman Committee on Education, Recreation and Youth Affairs

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Tune 19, 1975

Honorable Pat Russell
Councilmember
Los Angeles City Council
City Hall - 200 North Spring Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Councilmember Russell:

I understand that you have had a continuing interest in the area of political surveillance and domestic spying by the police.

Upon reading an article entitled "Spread of Police Snooping" in the June 9, 1975 edition of the <u>U.S. News and World Report</u>, I saw that guidelines were issued in April, 1975 to the Los Angeles Police Department concerning the conduct of investigations and surveillance. Among the points stressed were:

- First, the emphasis in the conduct of investigations would be shifted from organizations or individuals with "subsersive ideologies" to those who are actually committing or threatening toccommit acts "disruptive of the public order in Los Angeles" and
- Second, the intelligence division would be directed to refrain from opening or keeping any file on an organization or person "based on political belief, race, creed, nationality, ethnic background, sex or sexual orientation or a person's position as a public official or as a candidate."

The City Council of the District of Columbia is presently considering legislation on establishing similar police quidelines for non-criminal

 surveillance and investigation, and I would like to request copies of the Los Angeles Police regulations on their conduct of investigations and any other materials which you think may be helpful.

My staff contacted your office by phone last week and made a similar request, this letter is in support and clarification of that request.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Julius W. Hobson Councilmember at large





COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20004 June 19, 1975

JULIUS W. HOBSON : Councilman at Large

Mr. Sam Abbott Room 1015 Dupont Circle Bldg. 1345 Connecticut Avenue, N.W. Washington, D. C. 20036

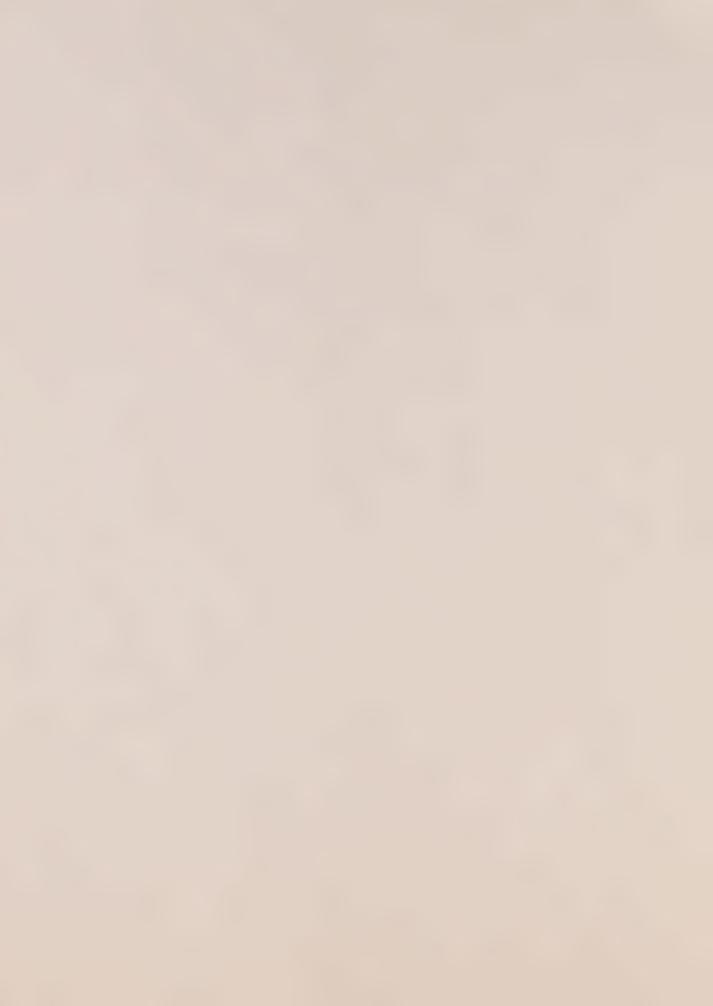
Dear Sam:

Enclosed is a copy of the hearing notice concerning the additional transfer of highway funds scheduled for Thursday June 26, 1975 at 10:30 A. M. and 2:00 P. M. in the Council Chambers.

I thought you will want to testify. Let me know if I can be of help.

Sincerely,

Julius



June 11, 1975

Dr. Celia S. Deschin Six Wyngate Place Great Neck. New York 11021

Dear Dr. Deschin:

Thank you for your letter and the copy of the article on "The Disadvantaged Children, Health, Nutrition, and School Failure." I am sending it along for review by Pat Miner, who is in charge of the Committee on Education, Recreation and Youth Affairs of which I am Chairman. If you can forward a copy of Social Change and The Mental Health of Children I'm sure it would provide useful information for future hearings. Please send to me, Councilmember of the Council of the District of Columbia, Washington, D.C. 20004.

Sincerely.

Julius W. Hobson

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Dear Friend,

Joan Little goes on trial on July 14th in Raleigh, North Carolina. She is charged with the murder of Clarence Alligood, the white jailer who attempted to rape her. If convicted, Joan Little would receive the death sentence.

Joan Little defended herself against the abuses which black women face every day as a result of racist and sexist attitudes. Her case is a symbol to the millions of Americans who have fought against these injustices. Recently, at a rally in Washington, D.C., Joan Little called on Washingtonians to support her case by demonstrating for her freedom on the day of her trial, either here in Washington or in Raleigh—as part of a nationally—coordinated day of protest. Joan Little said, "Without your support, they can easily railroad me into jail."

We echo Joan's urgent plea. On Monday, June 23rd at 7:30 P.M., at the All, Souls Church (16th & Harvard Sts., N.W.), groups and in ividuals in the D.C. area will be meeting to discuss how we can organize support for the July 14th actions. We ask that you, or a representative of your organization, plan to attend that meeting. For more information, call D.C. Student Coalition Against Racism at 676-7589 or 337-2373.

Sincerely,

D.C. Student Coalition Against Racism

Josephine Butler
Executive Board, Greater
Washington Central Labor
Council, Member, Statehood
Party

Julius Hobson
D.C. City Councilman
At-Large

Julius W Hobson

Kathy Kelly President, National Student Association



June 16, 1975

Mr. George J. Mische
Executive Director
National Coordinating Committee
for Justice Under Law
1750 Lanier Place, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20009

Dear Mr. Mische:

Thank you for the copy of the NCCJL Report, it was most informative. I am sorry my schedule did not permit my attending the fundraising show on May 16.

Sincerely,

Julius W. Hobson

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June 16, 1975

Mr. Niles C. White
Area Director
United Negro College Fund, Inc.
Suite 725
1625 Eye Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Mr. White:

I am sorry Mrs. Hobson and I were unable to attend the program on May lith in benefit of the United Negro College Fund because of previous plans. I am returning the two complimentary tickets.

Thank you for the invitation.

Sincerely.

Julius W. Hobson

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June 16, 1975

Mr. John L. Watkins
Director of Public Relations
Washington Urban League
1424 16th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20036

Dear Mr. Watkins:

I am sorry my schedule did not permit my attending the Urban League's Fourth Annual Whitney M. Young, Jr. Memorial Dinner on June 11th.

Please extend my welcome to Mr. John E. Jacob the new Executive Director.

Sincerely,

Julius W. Hobson

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Mrs. Virginia Morris
Head Pre-School/Day Care Division
United Planning Organization of the
National Capital Area
1021 14th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20005

Dear Mrs. Morris:

Thank you for your invitation to the banquet in celebration of the tenth anniversary of Head Start, sponsored by UPO's Head Start Parent Policy Council on May 16th.

I am sorry I was unable to attend and to convey my congratulations to members of the Pre-School/Day Care Division.

Sincerely,

Julius W. Hobson

Honorable Walter E. Fauntroy House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Fauntroy:

I am sorry Mrs. Hobson and I were unable to attend the farewell reception you hosted for Harley J. Daniels on June 24th.

Thank you for your invitation.

Sincerely,

Julius W. Hobson

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Miss Alethea McCallum 4021 9th Street, N.W., Apt. 109 Washington, D.C. 20011

Dear Miss McCallum:

Just a brief note to thank you again for interrupting your personal plans on such a brief notice to stay with me while Mrs. Hobson was out of the city.

If I, as a City Councilmember, can be of service to you, please call Mrs. McCottry, my Administrative Assistant, and she will let me know.

Thank you again.

Sincerely,

Julius W. Hobson

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June 13, 1975

Mr. Phineas Indritz
Longworth House Office Building
Room 1430
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Indritz:

Enclosed is a copy of the "Act to Remove Sex-Discriminatory Language from the District of Columbia Code" which you requested in our conversation of June 12, 1975.

The bill has been referred to the Committee on the Judiciary chaired by Councilmember David A. Clarke. Hearings on this bill are not anticipated until September or October. You may wish to contact Mr. Greg Mize, who is the clerk of the Judiciary Committee, to discuss any discrepancies which may exist between the Council bill and your draft, as well as clarify any potential problems as to its legislative intent. I am sure the Committee staff would appreciate any help you can give them in this regard. Mr. Mize's number is 638-2223, extension 31.

I will keep you appraised of the status on the bill and shall keep in touch.

Sincerely,

Paul Sanders Brown, Executive Assistant to Councilmember Julius W. Hobson

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June 12, 1975

Lieutenant Matthew Byrne Legal Division New York City Police Department Number One Police Plaza New York, New York 10038

Dear Lt. Byrne:

I understand after reading an article entitled, "Spread of Police Snooping" in the June 9, 1975 edition of <u>U.S. News and World Report</u> that the New York City Police Department had issued new guidelines for the conduct of non-criminal investigations in February, 1973. Specifically, these guidelines limit the types of investigations to be conducted and stated that political beliefs should not be a controlling factor.

The City Council of the District of Columbia is presently considering legislation on establishing police guidelines for non-criminal surveillance and investigation and I would like to request copies of the guidelines and-regulations set up for the New York City Police concerning their conduct of investigations.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Julius W. Hobson Councilmember at large

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June 12, 1975

Ms. Sheila Williams
3352 Pennsylvania Avenue, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20020

Dear Sheila:

Enclosed are several rough copies of draft legislation to eliminate architectural barriers to the handicapped and aged. The essential thrust of the bill requires that all newly constructed buildings or substantially remodeled ones be designed to eliminate architectural impediments for the handicapped.

I would appreciate any comments which you or other members of the D.C. Chapter of the National Association of the Physically Handicapped wish to make. Please understand that this bill is a draft. Mr. Hobson wants to introduce legislation to eliminate architectural barriers before the August recess and would greatly appreciate any input you could provide.

Also please find enclosed copies of correspondence with regard to building a handicapped ramp at the District Building which may be of interest.

Sincerely,

Paul Sanders Brown
Executive Assistant to
Councilmember Julius W. Hobson

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Mr. Matthew Watson, Auditor

Julius W. Hobson, Councilmember-at-Large

May 27, 1975

Procurement Study

It is my understanding that your office is conducting a study of procurement practices of various city agencies for small and direct purchases. If compatible with your purposes, I would like to suggest that the D.C. Public Schools be included as one of the agencies that your eview.

Please provide me with your time-frame for the study and a copy of your findings when available; I would also like a copy of the objectives and scope of the study. Ms. Pat Miner, Committee Clerk, will be contacting you to review this information.



May 27, 1975

Mr. Jerry Winters, President Washington D.C. Retail Liquor Dealers, Inc. 5010 Wisconsin Avenue Northwest, Suite B-3 Washington, D.C. 20016

Dear Mr. Winters:

Thank you for your letter of May 14, 1975 concerning the proposed gross receipts tax. The City Council has given its partial approval of the tax when the Revenue Act of 1975 came up for a first reading on April 15, 1975. In its approval on the first vote the Council exempted such items as food, rents, and non-prescription drugs from the gross receipts tax.

I do not anticipate a final vote by the Council on the entire revenue act until after the budget differences with the Mayor have been settled. When the Revenue Act of 1975 comes up for a final reading, I will keep your views on the gross receipts tax in mind.

Sincerely,

Julius W. Hobson Councilmember at large

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COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20004

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Ms. Barbara Sizemore Superintendent of Schools 415 12th Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20004

Dear Ms. Sizemore:

This is in reference to your letter of May 7, 1975, which responds to my inquiry, in behalf of Ms. Mary T. Scott, regarding over crowded classrooms at Gage Elementary School. I feel that your response in this matter inadequately addresses the problem.

Please provide the data cited in your letter which caused Gage Elementary School to lose teacher and aide services as of January 1 and January 10, 1975; please also include data which compares Gage's services with that available in other elementary schools. This report is requested by June 1, 1975.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Julius W. Holison

JULIUS W. HOBSON

Chairman, Committee on Education, Recreation and Youth Affairs

cc: Ms. Mary T. Scott



Mr. Edward G. Jackson Chairman Council of Chairmen 2460 Ontario Road, N.W. Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Jackson:

I have considered your objections concerning the conduct of the recent budget hearings. You state that only two NPC representatives were allowed to testify although many persons had taken time off from their jobs to testify. This action, limiting the number of speakers from each Neighborhood Planning Council, was taken in the interest of time. There was an exceedingly long list of witnesses; it was the opinion of the Chair that each NPC's opinion could be expressed through a spokesman.

The record shows that time was allowed for conference questions and answers although my colleagues on the Council kept such questions brief. This was done, again, in the interest of time.

Regarding the time allocation accorded to individual speakers, it is my opinion that any speaker can usually present his major points within a five minute period. Occasionally some new facts or atternate perspective are brought to light; this necessitates a longer view than a five minute period may afford.

I would like to inform you that the Committee on Education, Recreation and Youth Affairs, in its budget report on the Office of Youth Opportunity Services, recommended increasing the regular operating budget for the Neighborhood Planning Council's from the FY 1975 level of \$450,000 to \$500,000 in FY 1976. This increase was not requested by the Mayor, but rather was an independent judgement of this Committee, sustained by both the subsequent actions of the Council and the Mayor. I certainly



hope that you will fully share this information with the full Council of Chairman.

Best wishes for your successful operation in the coming year. If I can be of any further assistance, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

JULIUS W. HOBSON Chairman, Committee on Education, Recreation and Youth Affairs



May 26, 1975

Ms. Anne Marie Hanes College Park Housing Authority 9014 Rhode Island Avenue College Park Maryland 20740

Dear Ms. Hanes:

I am sorry that I was unable to attend your open house of April 27th. I appreciate your sending me a program explaining what the Senior Citizens Community at Attick Towers have been doing.

Thank you for taking the time to forward this material to me.

Sincerely,

Julius W. Hobson Councilmember at large

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May 26, 1975

Mr. Clinton Williams 912 Westminster Street N.W. Washington, D.C. 20001

Dear Mr. Williams:

I made an inquiry to the Corporation Council pursuant to our telephone conversation of May 19, 1975 concerning damages to your automobile while it was in the protective custody of the D.C. Metropolitan Police during your term in prison.

According to Mr. David G. Harper of the Corporation Council you should write a claim letter for damages done to your automobile and file it with the Corporation Council. This should be done within six months after the car has been damaged. The Corporation Council will then initiate an investigation and make the award for damages according to their findings.

If you are not satisfied with the findings of the Corporation Council then you could initiate a case in the small Claims Court to obtain compensation for damages. However, in order to bring the District Government before the Small Claims Court it is necessary to go through the administrative procedures first and seek a remedy.

I hope this information will be of some help.

Sincerely,

Paul Sanders Brown
Executive Assistant to
Councilmember Julius W. Hobson

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May 26, 1975

Ms. Ruth E. Myer, President Harbor Square Owners, Incorporated 500 N Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20024

Dear Ms. Myer:

attend.

I am sorry I was unable to attend the meeting of the Harbor Square members and residents on May 12, 1975. Unfortunately, my schedule did not allow me to attend. However, I am quite interested in the Southwest Urban Renewal Plan and would like to have more background information concerning the project. I would also like to have more information on what your organization regards as violations of the spirit of this particular plan. In your summary, please include the plan's legal requirements.

Please accept my apologies for being unable to

Sincerely,

Julius W. Hobson Councilmember at large

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Mr. Ken Boussong c/o Center for Science in the Public Interest 1779 Church Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20036

Dear Mr. Boussong:

Both Councilmember Julius W. Hobson, who is a member of your organization's advisory council, and I, read with great interest that your organization in conjunction with nine other consumer, antipoverty, and environmental organizations have released a citizen's energy platform as an alternative to the energy programs being advocated by the Administration and the Democratic leadership in Congress. We would like very much to have a copy of that energy platform and are enclosing \$1.00 to cover the costs of mailing and handling.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely.

Paul Sanders Brown
Executive Assistant to
Councilmember Julius W. Hobson

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Mr. Joseph H. Cole, Director Department of Recreation 3149 Sixteenth Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20010

Dear Joe:

I am very sorry I will be unable to ettend the opening ceremony for the Art Fair on Saturday, May 31st. I will be recovering from some minor dental surgery.

Thank you for the invitation to participate in your program.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Willie B. Barnes, President
American Federation of Government Employees
The D.C. Department of Human Resources
Local No. 1015
Glenn Dale Hospital
Glenn Dale, Maryland 20769

Dear Mr. Barnes:

I am sorry I was unable to visit Glenn Dale Hospital during National Hospital Week and especially on Open House day.

If at some time in the future and my schedule permits I will make a visit to the facility.

Sincerely,

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Honorable Gilbert Gude
Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Gude:

Thank you for your letter of May 5, 1975 and its invitation to join you during the Congressional recess in August when you plan to travel the length of the Potomac. I am very sorry I will be unable to take part in this interesting and educational activity.

I cannot think of any other points of interests, other than those nationally known, such as Mount Vernon and the bridges along the way. I am sure the National Park Service can supply you with natural places of interest under their care.

I would very much like to know of the itinerary of the group once it has been decided.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Sol M. Linowitz
President
Federal City Council
1155 15th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Linowitz:

I am sorry that I was not able to attend the Spring Board Meeting of the Federal City Council. Because of previous commitments I was unable to attend. However, I wish to thank you for the copy of the testimony given by your committee on transportation concerning the financing of construction costs for METRO given before the City Council's Committee on Transportation and Environment.

I appreciate your taking the time to send me a copy of this testimony.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Robert T. Gates
President
The Winkler Management Companies
Commonwealth Building
1625 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Mr. Gates:

Thank you for your letter of May 14, 1975, and the attached article from the New York Times concerning rent control. Rent control is a very complex area and I am giving the issue its full consideration.

I appreciate your taking the time to forward the article to me.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Louis N. Lehman
President
Sunny's Surplus
235 N. Franklintown Road
Baltimore, Maryland 21223

Dear Mr. Lehman:

Thank you for your letter of May 9, 1975, concerning the intended one percent gross receipts tax on retailers and one half percent gross receipts tax on manufacturers and wholesalers. The City Council's revenue package is due to come up for a final vote within several weeks. I will keep your views in mind when I vote.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Hubert R. Merrick
Executive Vice President
Independence Federal Savings & Loan Association
1229 Connecticut Avenue, Northwest
Washington, D.C. 20036

Dear Mr. Merrick:

Thank you for your note of May 9, 1975. I read the Post article entitled, "Economics of Home Rule" with great interest. The economic clout which lies in the District's authority to deposit its funds in local banks and savings and loan associations is great and deserves to be looked at more closely.

I appreciate your taking the time to forward the Post article to me.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Alonzo A. Nicholson, Jr. 1728 Lamont Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20010

Dear Mr. Nicholson:

Thank you very much for your thoughtful letter of May 9, 1975. I found the attached newspaper articles very interesting and will investigate them further.

As you may realize my cancer is in remission. Treatment involved the use of many experimental drugs such as the type described in the newspaper articles attached and to date have been quite successful.

I appreciate your taking the time to write me and will inquire as to the effects of these drugs.

Sincerely,

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Julius W. Hobson

May 22, 1975

Agenda for the Legislative Session

Please insert on Tuesday, May 27th's legislative session agenda the Bill to eliminate architectural barriers to the handicapped and the aged on newly constructed buildings or substantially remodeled ones in the District of Columbia.

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Mr. Stuart M. Brandborg Executive Director The Wilderness Society 1901 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W. Washington, D.C. 20036

Dear Mr. Brandborg:

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Sincerely,

JULIUS W. HOBSON COUNCILMEMBER AT LARGE

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Mr. Joe Browder
Environmental Policy Center
324 C Street, S.E.
Wash, D.C. 20003

Dear Mr. Browder:

Enclosed is a copy of a notice of public hearing on returnable beverage container legislation which is being held by the Committee on Transportation and Unvironmental Affairs. Lither you or your organization may wish to testify before the Committee or submit a written statement. The hearings are scheduled for June 4 and 5, 1975 at 10:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m., and 7:30 p.m.

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Sincerely,

JULIUS W. HOESON COUNCILMEMBER AT LARGE



Ms. Aileen Gorman National Consumer Congress 1346 Connecticut Ave., N.W. Wash, D.C. 30036

Dear Ms. Gorman:

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The hearings concern a topic that is of vital importance to the whole issue of solid waste management and the environment, and I invite you to testify. If you wish to give testimony you should contact is. Owen Bohlke at 638-2223 or 629-3808 before 5:30 p.m. on June 2, 1975.

Sincerely,

JULIUS W. HOBSON - COUNCILMEMBER AT LARGE



Mr. A.W. Smith
President
National Parks and Conservation
Association
1701 18th Street, N.W.
Wash, D.C. 20009

Dear Mr. Smith:

Enclosed is a copy of a notice of public hearing on returnable beverage container legislation which is being held by the Committee on Transportation and Lavironmental Affairs. Either you or your organization may wish to testify before the Committee or submit a written statement. The hearings are scheduled for June 4 and 5, 1975 at 10:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m., and 7:30 p.m.

The hearings concern a topic that is of vital importance to the whole issue of solid waste management and the environment, and I invite you to testify. If you wish to give testimony you should contact is. Given Bohlke at \$32-2223 or \$29-3306 before 5:39 p.m. on June 2, 1975.

Sincerely,

JULIUS W. HOBSON COUNCILMEMBER AT LARGE



Mr. Jack Lorenz Izaak Walton League of America 1800 N. Kent (#806) Arlington, Va. 22209

Dear Mr. Lorenz:

Enclosed is a copy of a notice of public hearing on returnable beverage container legislation which is being held by the Committee on Transportation and Environmental Affairs. Either you or your organization may wish to testify before the Committee or submit a written statement. The hearings are scheduled for June 4 and 5, 1975 at 10:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m., and 7:30 p.m.

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Sincerely,

JULIUS W. HOBSON COUNCILMEMBER AT LARGE



Mr. Neil Seldon Institute for Local Self Reliance 1717 18th Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20009

Dear MR. Seldon:

Enclosed is a copy of a notice of public hearing on returnable beverage container legislation which is being held by the Committee on Transportation and Environmental Affairs. Either you or your organization may wish to testify before the Committee or submit a written statement. The hearings are scheduled for June 4 and 5, 1975 at 10:00 a.m., 2:00 p. .m., and 7:30 p.m.

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Sincerely,

JULIUS W. HOBSON
COUNCILMEMBER AT LARGE

Mr. Albert Fritsch Center for Science in The Public Interest 1779 Church Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20036

Dear Mr. Fritsch:

Enclosed is a copy of a notice of public hearing on returnable beverage container legislation which is being held by the Committee on Transportation and Environmental Affairs. Either you or your organization may wish to testify Affairs. Either you or your organization may wish to testify before the Committee or submit a written statement. The hearings are scheduled for June 4 and 5, 1975 at 10:00 a.m., 2:00 p. .m., and 7:30 p.m.

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Sincerely,

JULIUS W. HOBSON COUNCILMEMBER AT LARGE



Ms. Linda Billings Sierra Club 324 C Street, S.E. Washington, D.C. 20003

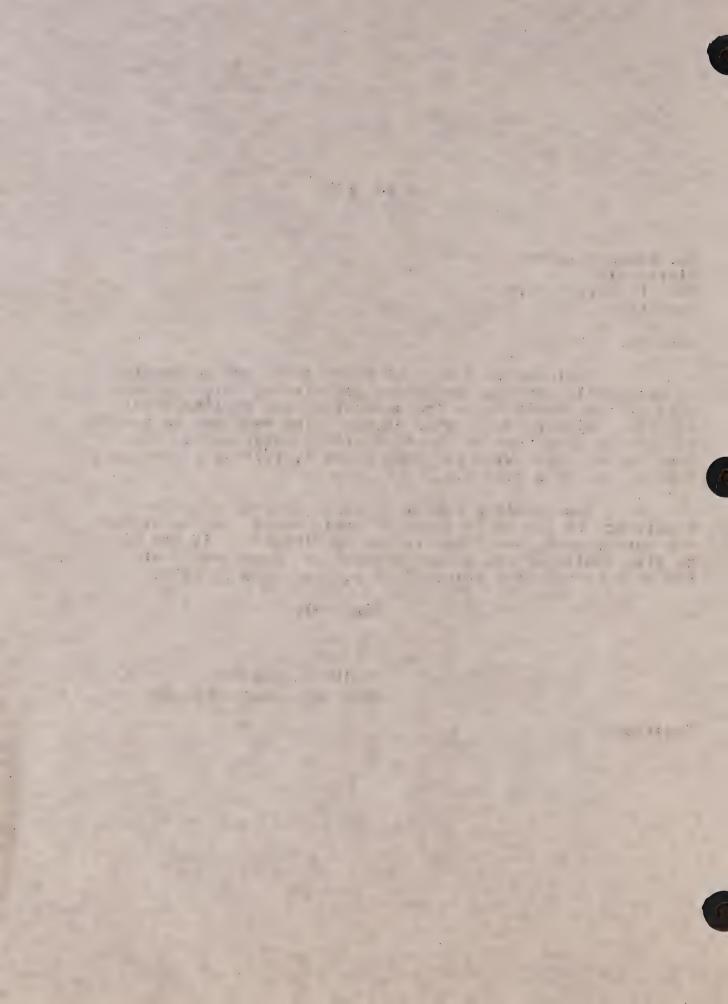
Dear Ms. Billings:

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Sincerely,

JULIUS W. HOBSON COUNCILMEMBER AT LARGE



Mr. John Hellegers
Environmental Defense Fund
1525 18th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20005

Dear Mr. Hellegers:

Enclosed is a copy of a notice of public hearing on returnable beverage container legislation which is being held by the Committee on Transportation and Environmental Affairs. Either you or your organization may wish to testify before the Committee or submit a written statement. The hearings are scheduled for June 4 and 5, 1975 at 10:00 a.m., 2:00 p. .m., and 7:30 p.m.

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Sincerely,

JULIUS W. HOBSON COUNCILMEMBER AT LARGE



Mr. John Brerier
Sensible Citizens Against Throwaways
7825 Old Chester Road
Bethesda, Md. 20034

Dear Mr. Brerier:

Enclosed is a copy of a notice of public hearing on returnable beverage container legislation which is being held by the Committee on Transportation and Environmental Affairs. Either you or your organization may wish to testify before the Committee or submit a written statement. The hearings are scheduled for June 4 and 5, 1975 at 10:00 a.m., 2:00 p. .m., and 7:30 p.m.

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Sincerely,

JULIUS W. HOBSON COUNCILMEMBER AT LARGE



Ms. Betsy Greer
Crusade for a Cleaner
Environment
2000 L Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20036

Dear Ms. Greer:

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Sincerely,

JULIUS W. HOBSON COUNCILMEMBER AT LARGE



Mr. David R. Brower Friends of the Earth 620 C Street, S.E. Washington, D.C. 20003

Dear Mr. Brower:

Enclosed is a copy of a notice of public hearing on returnable beverage container legislation which is being held by the Committee on Transportation and Environmental Affairs. Either you or your organization may wish to testify before the Committee or submit a written statement. The hearings are scheduled for June 4 and 5, 1975 at 18:30 a.m., 2:00 p.m., and 7:30 p.m.

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Sincerely,

JULIUS W. HOBSON COUNCILMEMBER AT LARGE

- Enclosure



Mr. Anton Wood
Mr. David Paris
Washington Ecology Center
1250 24th Street, N.W. Suite 16
Washington, D.C. 20037

Dear Mr. Wood: and Mr. Paris:

Enclosed is a copy of a notice of public hearing on returnable beverage container legislation which is being held by the Committee on Transportation and Environmental affairs. Either you or your organization may wish to testify before the Committee or submit a written statement. The hearings are scheduled for June 4 and 5, 1975 at 10:30 a.m., 2:00 p.m., and 7:30 p.m.

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Sincerely,

JULIUS W. HOBSON COUNCILMEMBER AT LARGE



Ms. Daina Wahl
National League of Cities
1612 K Street, N.W.
Wash, D.C. 20006

Dear Ms. Wahl:

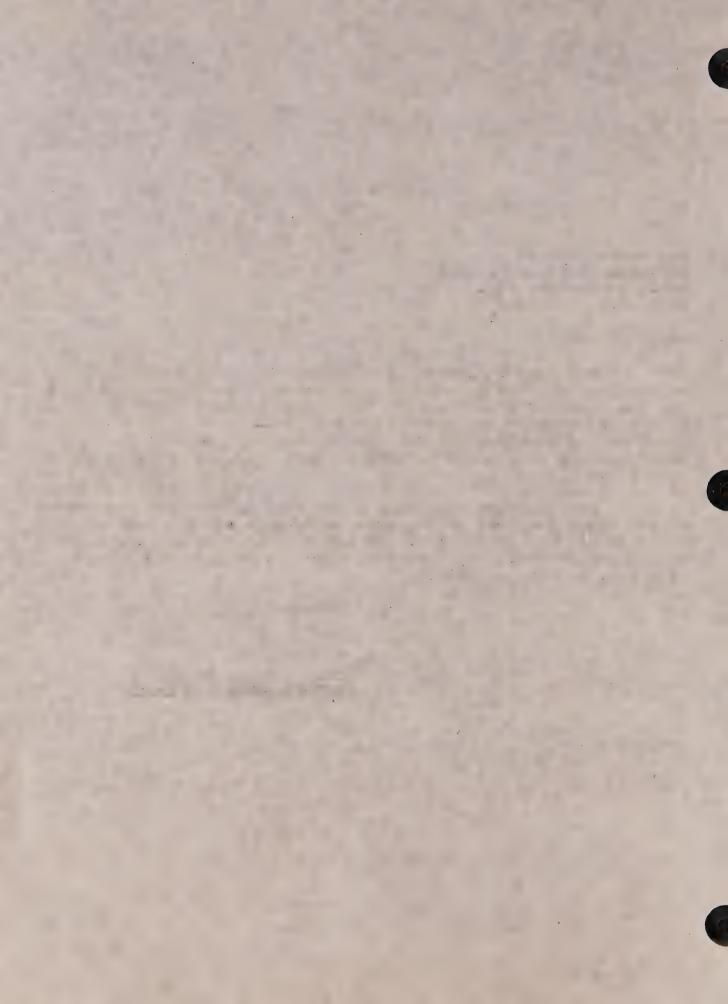
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Dr. Arthur Purcell Technical Information Center Woodward Building 733 15th Street, N.W. Wash, D.C. 20036

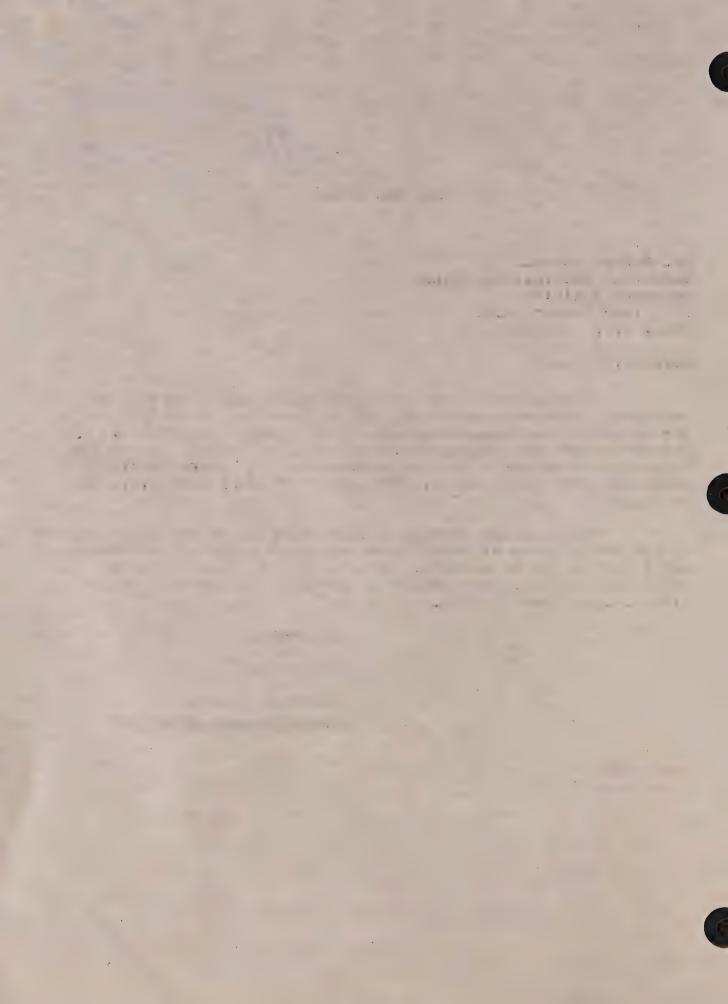
Dear Dr. Purcell:

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Sincerely,

JULIUS W. HOBSON
COUNCILMEMBER AT LARGE



Mr. Marian Edey League of Conservation Voters 324 C Street, S.E. Washington, D.C. 20003

Dear Mr. Edey:

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Sincerely,

JULIUS W. HOBSON COUNCILMEMBER AT LARGE



Mr. William K. Reilly
President
Conservation Foundation
1717 Massachisettes Ave., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20036

Dear Mr. Reilly:

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Sincerely,

JULIUS W. HGBSON COUNCILMEMBER AT LARGE



Mr. G. John Roush Nature Conservancy 1800 N. Kent (#800) Arlington, Va. 22209

Dear Mr. Roush:

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Sincerely,

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Council of the District of Columbia News Release

City Hall, 14th and E Streets, N.W.

Fifth Floor

638-2223 or Government Code 137-3806

May 21, 1975

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

POSTPONEMENT OF THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND THE BOARD OF EDUCATION Friday, May 23, 1975

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For further information contact: Ms. Patricia Miner, 638-2223.



Council of the District of Columbia **Memorandum**

City Hall, 14th and E Streets, N.W. 20004 Fifth Floor 638-2223 or Government Code 137-3806

To Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs

From Julius W. Hobson, Chairperson

Date May 21, 1975

Subject Public Hearing - May 23, 1975

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cc: Councilmembers

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Julius Hobson, Sr. Councilmember-At-Large



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For further information contact: Ms. Patricia Miner, 638-2223.



Mr. Fred Aranha, Support Services
Julius W. Hobson, Councilmember
May 19, 1975

Request for Publication

Would you please order a subcription to "Just Economics" for reference material for my committee.

See attached order form on page II. (Please return this attachment to me.

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May 19, 1975

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Post Office Box 57 Cornwells Heights, Penn. 19155

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is the partial payment on my back income tax in the amount of \$550.00. (Payment of 1972 1040)

Sincerely,,

Julius W. Hobson
Councilmember at large
SS # 421 01 0885

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4. FY 1976 Budget

The Mayor has vetoed portions of the Council's actions on the budget, reinstating operating funds to some agencies in our Committee's jurisdiction: D.C. Public Schools, D.C. Teachers' College, Federal City College, Washington Technical Institute, Office of Youth Opportunity Services. He further restored capital outlay funds denied by the Budget Committee for Perry-Simmons Replacement (school), and funds for Dakota Playground denied by this Committee.

The major objection which I have to the Mayor's response is that he repealed Section 3 (c) which incorporated by reference Council Committee reports on the budget. He cites some problem of internal inconsistencies of the committee reports with subsequent Budget Committee, and Committee of the Whole actions. Therefore, he feels that considerable confusion arises with respect to the directives in the report. see p. 29, attachment II. This in effect denies Committee perogatives to comment on policy and some other matters, and, especially our Committee's report of the Office of Youth Opportunity Services.



May 15, 1975

Mr. David A. Ryan, President Fire Fighters Association District of Columbia 2120 Bladensburg Road, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20018

Dear Mr. Ryan:

I am sorry I was unable to attend the activities on May 10 celebrating "Fire Service Recognition Day."

I am sure everyone who attended found it educational and enjoyable.

Sinc erely,

Julius W. Hobson Councilmember at large

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Mr. Dwight Cropp Executive Secretary Board of Education 415 12th Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20004

Dear Mr. Cropp:

Please provide me with the names and addresses of PTA Presidents.

I would also appreciate a similar list of Board Members to add to the

Council and Committee on Education, Recreation and Youth Affairs mailing
list.

Any other suggestion for additions to the mailing list would be most appreciated.

Sincerely,

JULIUS W. HOBSON Councilmember-at-large

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May 15, 1975

Mrs. Mary E. Weatherspoon Vice President Mid Atlantic Manpower Planners Association 1021 14th Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20005

Dear Mrs. Weatherspoon:

I am very sorry my schedule will not permit my attending the Regional Manpower Conference on June 5-6, 1975. The staff assigned to councilmembers is very small, therefore, I am unable to designate a representative. I would like, however, to receive copies of any papers presented during the conference, especially those dealing with CETA.

Thank you for the invitation to take part in the conference.

Sincerely,

Julius W. Hobson Councilmember at large

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COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, RECREATION, AND YOUTH AFFAIRS

REGULAR MEETING

May 15, 1975 Room 501, District Building

10.30 A.M.

AGENDA

- I. Quorum Call
- II. Committee Rules
- III. Hearings on Public Schools-Discussion
 - A. Scope
 - B. Logistics
- IV. Request for Council Recommendations to Appoint members on new LEAA Advisory Board.
- V. FY 1976 Budget
- VI. New Business

1. Committee Rules

Resolution 1-73, which was adopted by the Council on May 6, 1975, clarified the Rules of the Council that are applicable to Committees of the Council. Staff will arrange to have applicable tections compiled and disseminated to Committee members. I will check with Ed Webb whether or not we must officially vote to substitute these new rules for our previously adopted rules. A motion should be made at the next meeting that the Committee meet monthly, on the second Thursday of each month at 10:30 a.m. in Room 503. These two items should hopefully complete all necessary actions on Committee Rules and assure their acceptability to the Office of the Counsel.

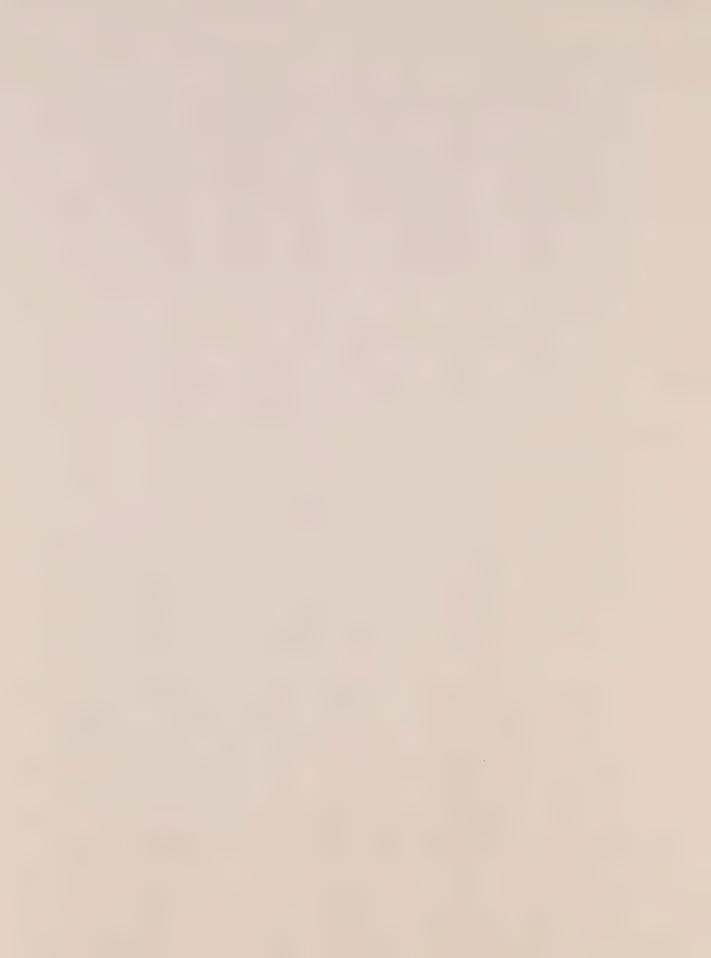
2. Equalization and Comparability - DCPS

Because of the recent disruptions of their meetings, the Board of Education has postponed its hearings on Equalization and Title I Comparability. They do plan to reschedule. (see attached memo)

3. <u>Board of Education - Sizemore Controversy</u> (see attached memorandum)

As outlined in the memorandum, because of your stated concerns to hold the hearings as soon as possible, I would suggest that we schedule hearings for the evenings of May 19 and 21, and all day May 23 (pending release of that date by Government Operations Committee). While we could broaden the scope of the hearings, as outlined in my memorandum, we will probably be somewhat controlled by the community in terms of what areas are actually discussed, since it will be a <u>public hearing</u>, if we hold it so quickly.

Council policy has dictated that fifteen (15) days be allowed for public notice. I have been informed that Chairman Tucker would prefer a later date in order to diffuse the current volatile situation. It should be decided as soon as possible how we shall proceed. To summarize: (1) early hearings may help with the aroused public sentiments and interests-or-serve as a public platform to continue the Board-Sizemore controversy (it could be argued that because of the emergency resolution, that this is our mandate;) or, (2) later hearing (e.g. July) may well serve as a forum to significantly address issues and allow for greater participation of expert witnesses.



4. Regular Committee Meetings

The Committee needs to vote in a regularly scheduled meeting to change the present schedule of meeting every week to a schedule of having regular meetings once a month. This can be taken care of at the meeting scheduled for this Thursday, May 15th.

5. <u>Legislative Package D.C. Public Schools</u>

Of the six bills introduced by Sterling Tucker at the request of the D.C. Board of Education, the committee has acted on two thus far. Bill 1-49 which will abolish mandatory cadet corps enrollment has been passed on first reading and is up for second reading this Tuesday. No changes needed or expected. Bill 1-54 which repeals obsolete legislation on Board of Education power to accredit (libense) junior colleges was adopted in first reading and will be up for second reading this week. There is a technical amendment which Julius should offer on Tuesday prior to second reading (see text attached). This amendment probably is not necessary but the Corporation Counsel wants to be extra careful about leaving a gap in the authority (see attached letter from Judy Rogers). We have been advised that this amendment will not be considered a substantial amendment and thus can be handled simply by having a member read it into bill.

The Corporation Counsel is currently reviewing the other four (4) bills and is going to comment. We expect that they will have substantial changes in the child labor act and at least minor changes in the other three (3) bills. We will simply wait for them to get their material to the committee before going any further.

6. Educational Concept Paper - Rhody McCoy (see attachment)

I think this paper presents interesting, albeit radical, ideas about restructuring public education. We could address the issue of a major study to address the needs of contemporary education, as well as future educational needs of this community. We could conceivably use this as a vehicle for transcending the current public educational crisis with a call for a new direction; this concept has exciting educational and political implications. I would suggest that we explore this concept with Dr. McCoy as soon as possible.



7. The Budget Committee's mark-up of the FY 76 Budget, which outlines drastic across-the-board cuts in all agencies, was unofficially transmitted to the Mayor for his guidance in establishing agency budget levels. He has passed on substantial cuts to the public schools, Recreation Department and the colleges. We should anticipate lobbying and appeals to fight for higher budget levels for these agencies. We should receive the budget back from the Mayor sometime this week (e.g. May 14th or 15th). We should discuss the impact of his cuts to our agencies in our meeting Thursday.



Council of the District of Columbia Report

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To Julius W. Hobson, Chairman, Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs

From Patricia Miner, Committee Clerk

Date 9 May 1975

Subject Scope of Public Hearings

In Section 3 of the "Rational Administration of the Public Schools Act", Act 1-13, the Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs has been

"authorized and directed to receive testimony concerning the enactment of legislation, pursuant to section 602(c) of the District of Columbia Self-government and Governmental Reorganization Act to alter the independent status of the District of Columbia Board of Education and to effect certain changes in the organization and administration of the public schools in the District of Columbia."

It is my opinion that our efforts should focus on the latter portion of that section, "effect certain changes in the organization and administration of the public schools in the District of Columbia." This affords us an opportunity to examine the substantial management/organizational problems which hamper the public school's effective operations. As a former employee of that system, I must concur with comments that structural changes are necessary to effectively serve the needs of the children enrolled in the public school system.

To begin with, I recommend that we focus on the entire management/
fiscal process; it should be noted that the "Public Schools Emergency
Resolution", Resolution 1-76, cited the fiscal situation as the first
issue to support the need for emergency action. Witnesses should be
requested to testify on potential alterations of existing laws, regulations/
procedures or policies which inhibit the flexibility and efficiency of the
management process. This would include such areas as management
information systems, data analysis capabilities, personnel system, fiscal



management/accounting systems, school-level budgeting. Examination of such issues in a structured public forum would theoretically address the impact of management problems on the teaching, learning process, e.g. lack of supplies, lack of accurate student data. Our focusing on these substantial problems would serve to clarify what legislative actions would support administrative accountability to the citizenry.

A second area of focus should be the fourth item cited in the emergency resolution, the academic achievement of students. Public testimony should be solicited to focus on problems which require either legislative or fiscal support, especially truancy, discipline and insufficient community involvement. This would also serve as the appropriate arena to examine the critical need for a comprehensive evaluation system.

The third major area for public testimony would be an examination of the interrelationships of Superintendent, Board, and Mayor and Council. It is critical, I feel, for clarification of the complicated legal/policy questions concerning perogatives of each body and executive officer. While the Board of Education is an elected body, perhaps it should issue the annual report of the Superintendent to the Mayor, Council, and Citizenry. We should investigate how other jurisdictions' elected Boards interface with elected Councils, and how other jurisdictions' Superintendents interface with the executive branch of government. There may, indeed, be a need for clarifying legislation to delineate roles, peragotives, and so forth.

In addition to public witnesses, I feel we should involve the academic community as expert witnesses; invitations should be extended to the area public and private Schools of Education and Schools of Public Administration to provide pertinent testimony. Contact should be made by staff with national and area educational organizations to assure that a wide variety of opinion is elicited. Management experts should be identified and requested for assistance; perhaps PEPCO could be invited at this time to comment on the New Jersey situation in which the local telephone company revamped the computer management system of local school systems, and further encouraged to assist in this area for the D.C. Public Schools.

A committee conference should be scheduled with personnel directors, accounting directors, and so forth of both D.C. government and the school system. Perhaps the Government Operations Committee could be invited to issue a joint report in regard to the management issues.



I would suggest that hearings be scheduled on several evenings for public witnesses, and afternoon sessions for expert witnesses. As of May 9, 1975, the following dates, for use of the Council Chamber, according to the Office of the Secretary, are available:

Monday, May 19 (7:30 P.M. on)
Wednesday, May 21 (7:30 P.M. on)
Friday, May 23, (all day potentially available from gov't operations)
Saturday, May 24 (all day)
Saturday, May 31 (all day)
Tuesday, June 3 (2:00 P.M.on)
Monday, June 16 (2:00 P.M. on)
Tuesday, June 24 (2:00 P.M. on)
Monday, June 30 (2:00 P.M. on)
Tuesday, July 1 (2:00 P.M. on)
Monday, July 7 (2:00 P.M. on)
Tuesday, July 8 (2:00 P.M. on)
Friday, July 18 (all day)

I have received a copy of a memo to you from Doug Moore in which he suggests hearings in each Ward. I have no particular suggestions in that regard. We may wish to have one major hearing in the Council Chamber and several evening meetings, either in each ward, or in each geographical division of the city—as an alternative to all meetings being held in the District Building.

I would suggest that we schedule hearings for the week of May 19th, with evening sessions on May 19&21, and all day May 23 & 24. While this affords less than one week for public notice, it may be possible because of the news media to accomplish wide public coverage.

Attachment: Resolution 1-76

Act 1-13



Memorandum • Government of the District of Columbia

Honorable Julius Hobson

Office of the Mayor Department,

TO:

Chairman, Committee on

Education, Recreation & Youth Affairs

D.C. Council

FROM:

Judy Rogers . Special Assistant for Legislation

SUBJECT: Bills 1-54 and 1-49.

On April 25, 1975 William Robinson, Chief Legislation and Opinions Division, Office of the Corporation Counsel, and I met with Lou Aronica of the Committee staff to discuss certain bills introduced at the request of the Board of Education. This memorandum is to advise you of our specific comments:

Bill 1-54: We recommended the Committee consider the desirability of including a protective, procedural amendment to provide that an existing accreditation, which is in fact a license, remain in force for five years from the date of enactment of the bill. Such a protective provision will place junior colleges accredited by the Board of Education on a par with those non licensed by the Board of Higher Education. Bill 1-54 should be amended as follows:

> Delete the period in line 6 at the end of section 2 and insert in lieu thereof the following": Provided, that any accreditation of a junior college heretofore conferred by the Board of Education and still in force shall be continued in force for five years from the date of enactment of this section, or until such junior college is otherwise accredited, whichever is earlier."

Bill 1-49: The Committee may wish to consider the desirability of a bill which would make participation in the cadet corps voluntary but retain the program. Bill 1-49 will abolish the cadet corps program completely. Alternative language which would retain the

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program but make participation in it voluntary is as follows:

Delete section 2 in lines 2 through 6 and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Sec. 2. The ninth paragraph under the subheading "Miscellaneous" of the heading relating to "Public Schools" of section 1 of the Act entitled "An Act making appropriations to provide for the expenses of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eight, and for other purposes", approved March 2, 1907 (D.C. Code, sec. 31-1103) is amended to read as follows:

"The Board of Education is authorized and directed to establish and to include in the curricula of the senior high schools of the District of Columbia, as an elective course, a program in military science, which shall include a cadet corps. The course shall be available to any student enrolled in the high schools who is not found by the Board to be physically disqualified to participate in such a program. The same credit toward graduation shall be given for said course as is given for other elective courses in the high schools."



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To Members of the Education, Recreation and Youth Affairs Committee

From Mulius W. Hobson, Chairman

Date

May 15, 1975

Subject Time of the regular committee meetings

I attempted to call a meeting of the Committee on May 15th but was unable to get a quorum. I, therefore, am proposing that this memorandum serve as a notice that the Committee will meet regularly once a month rather than as it meets every week at the present time.

I would appreciate your concurrence in this matter by signing below.

The next regular meeting will be on Thursday, June 19th at 10:30 a.m.

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cc: Mr. Tucker, Chairman of the Council
Mr. Williams, Secretary of the Council

All Council Members



Council of the District of Columbia Notice of Public Hearing

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HEARINGS ON THE ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Friday, May 23, 1975

10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Council Chambers

Councilmember Julius W. Hobson, Chairman of the Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs, pursuant to Act 1-13, will hold a series of public hearings to receive testimony "concerning the enactment of legislation, pursuant to section 602(c) of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act to alter the independent status of the District of Columbia Board of Education and to effect certain changes in the organization and administration of the public schools in the District of Columbia!

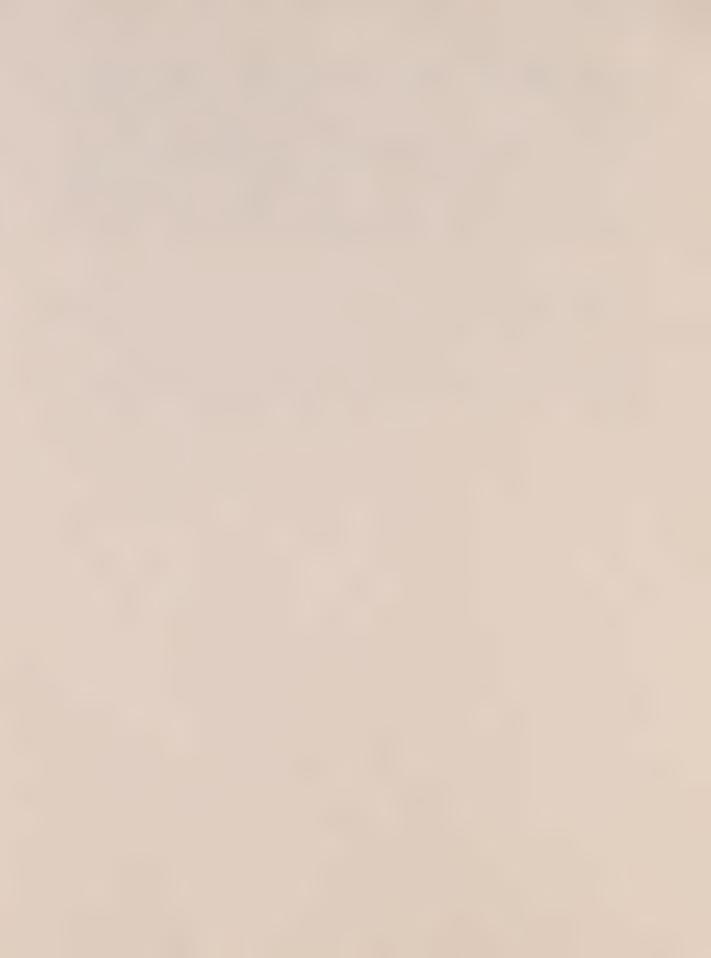
The Committee is requesting public testimony to identify issues to be explored in later hearings, through expert responses to specific issues designated by the Committee. Such expert testimony will form the basis for the development of a legislative program designed to facilitate the optimal operation of the public school system and to assure quality education for all students. Hearings on specific issues, identified in this preliminary hearing, will be scheduled at a later date.

In this preliminary hearing, public witnesses are asked to address one or more of the following issues: (1) existing laws, regulations, or procedures which impact on the efficiency of the management/administration fiscal/process of the public schools, such as fiscal management/accounting systems, school-level budgeting, and management information



systems; (2) problems which inhibit the academic achievement of students, such as administrative procedures for handling truancy, lack of discipline, and insufficient community participation; (3) lack of clarity of the roles of the Superintendent, Mayor, Board of Education and Council of the District of Columbia; or (4) any other pertinent issues which citizens feel the Committee should consider. Mr. Hobson requests that, in considering these issues, statements be restricted to assessments of current problems and the potential impact which any legislative proposals will have on the District of Columbia's public educational system.

These hearings have been scheduled for 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. on May 23 and May 24, 1975, in the Council Chamber, Room 500 of the District Building. Persons wishing to testify should call Ms. Alice Blue at 638-2223 before 5:00 p.m. on May 22, 1975. Written statements for the record are encouraged and may be sent to Mr. Robert Williams, Secretary to the Council, Room 509, District Building, 14th and E Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004.



May 19, 1975

Mr. Leroy Jordan 6907 8th Street, N.W. Washington, D.C.

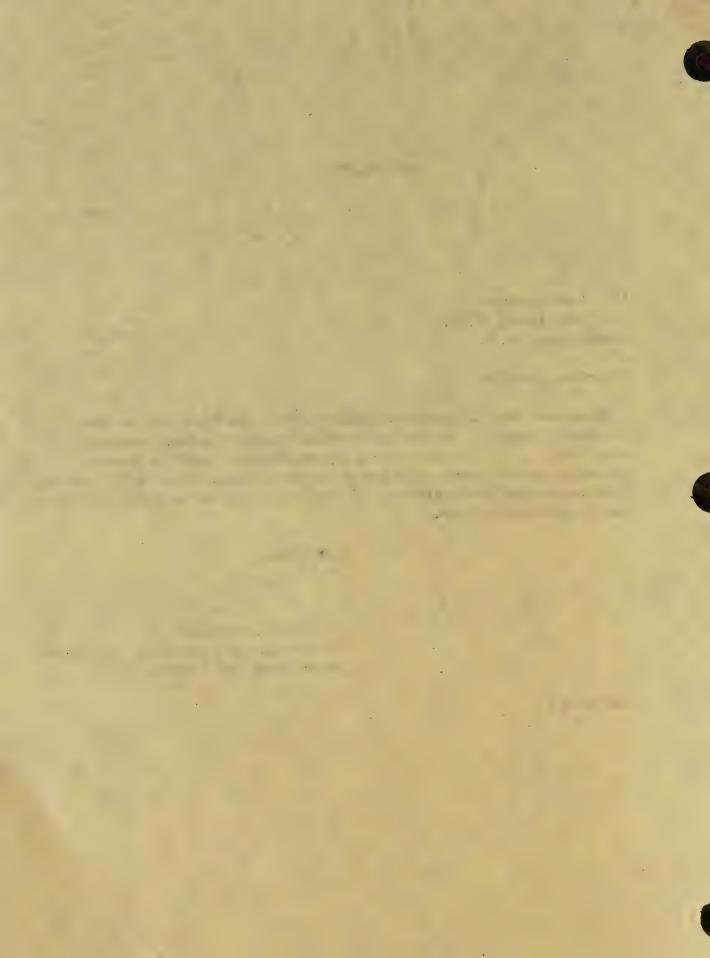
Dear Mr. Jordan:

Enclosed is a copy of the response received from Ms. Barbara Sizemore regarding tuition payment for Joseph Jordan. I appreciate your bringing this problem to my attention and I shall keep your concerns in mind during deliberations of the Committee on Education, Recreation and Youth Affairs. If I can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

JULIUS W. HOBSON Chairman, Committee on Education, Recreation and Youth Affairs

Enclosure



June 11, 1975

Mr. Randy Swisher
D.C. Public Interest Research Group
University Center
800 Twenty-first Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Randy:

Enclosed are several copies of a rough draft of legislation to eliminate architectural barriers to the handicapped and aged. The essential thrust of the bill requires that all newly constructed buildings or substantially remodeled ones be designed to eliminate architectural impediments for the handicapped.

I would appreciate any comments which you or Sharon Mistler may have concerning this piece of legislation. Please understand that this bill is a draft. Mr. Hobson wants to introduce a bill to eliminate architectural barriers before the August recess and would greatly appreciate any input you could provide.

Sincerely,

Paul Sanders Brown
Executive Assistant to
Councilmember Julius Hobson

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June 11, 1975

Mr. D.E. Parrish 385 "O" Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20024

Dear Mr. Parrish:

Thank you for your letter of June 5, 1975 concerning gun control legislation. Public hearings on this question were held on June 6 and 7 and I will be considering the issue very carefully.

I will keep your views in mind when the legislation is voted out of committee and presented to the Council for a vote.

Sincerely,

Julius W. Hobson Councilmember at large

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June 11, 1975

Mr. Kenneth L. Adams
315 Twelfth Street, Southeast
Washington, D.C. 20003

Dear Mr. Adams:

Thank you for your letter of May 22 concerning your support for Bill Number 1-44, the Marijuana Reform Act.

I believe that the present penalties for possession of marijuana exceed the seriousness of the offense and therefore the present law should be examined closely. The Committee on the Judiciary will be holding public hearings on this piece of legislation on July 16 in the Council Chamber. I will be giving the legislation careful consideration when it comes before the City Council for a vote.

Sincerely,

Julius W. Hobson Councilmember at large 

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20004

June 11, 1975

Honorable Walter Washington Mayor of the District of Columbia The District Building Washington, D.C. 20004

Re: Frank Cubera Case Before the Police Department in 1973

Dear Mayor Washington:

This is to express interest in the progress of the Frank Cubera, Jr. Case in relation to the purchase of a gun by Mr. Cubera. I have known him for some time. He is an outstanding, dedicated policeman who deserves consideration in this case.

Please let me know if you can help Mr. Cubera in this matter. He has informed me that he has been to see you about the case and that you know the details.

Sincerely, Miller Willeam

Julius W. Hobson

Councilmember at large



Council of the District of Columbia Memorandum

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To COUNCILMEMBER DOUGLAS MOORE, CHAIRMAN, BUDGET COMMITTEE

TO COONCIENTENDER DOUGLAS MOORE, CHAIRMAN, BUDGET COMMITTEE

From Julius W. Hobson, Chairperson, Education, Recreation and Youth Affairs
Committee

Date June 6, 1975

Subject Recommendations re Mayor's vetoes of the Council action on the Budget

The Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs has reviewed the impact analysis statements transmitted by the Mayor in conjunction with his veto of certain Council actions regarding the FY 1976 budget. The Committee's findings concur with the Mayor's conclusions that the Council's budget cuts impact heavily on the D.C. Public Schools, the institutions of higher education, and the Department of Recreation. The Committee feels that the Mayor's restoration of funds respresents a responsible action after a critical assessment of the potential impact of the Council's actions. The cutback in services through the agencies under this Committee's purview would be drastic. The Committee's stated position is reaffirmed that education is the most far reaching service provided to the citizenry; a hasty reduction of funds for such services will have major ramifications. The capacity of these agencies to maintain merely the status quo with such severe funding limitations is a grave question.

Accordingly, the Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs recommends the restoration of the full amount recommended by the Mayor to the D.C. Public Schools, D.C. Teachers College, Federal City College, Washington Technical Institute, and the Department of Recreation.

The \$11.1 million reduction to the D.C. Public Schools' budget is untenable. While there are major problems in the public educational system, none of them can be adequately addressed with such a reduction. Because all teachers' within-grade raises are granted at the beginning of each school year, rather than staggered throughout the fiscal year, within-grade payments for teachers differ significantly from those for other classified employees. The Committee has been convinced that their approach to the determination of the funding level for within-grade payments is valid and, further, that the need for funding is critical. To reduce electricity, supplies, equipment, other pay, and so forth for the schools is untenable; the utilization of such funds for substitute teachers, classroom supplies, and building operations constitutes an integral part of their operation. It should be reiterated that the physical condition of school buildings requires adequate funding for repair and maintenance.



The within-grade increases for the institutions of higher education are a necessity if the colleges and Washington Technical Institute are to compete successfully with other like institutions, both public and private, for faculty. Unlike General Schedule and other classified personnel, no within-grade raises are automatically provided to faculty in the Washington Technical Institute or the colleges. If these institutions are required to attempt to absorb pay increases, it would result either in no pay increases for faculty in FY 1976 or directly in the non-renewal of faculty contracts. Furthermore, with the ascendancy of the proposed University of the District of Columbia, it is incumbent that the Council adequately fund the existant institutions.

The impact of the Council cuts on the Department of Recreation is devastating. The department has sustained reductions in excess of \$1 million in the past two years. The department currently suffers a lapse rate of over 30%! Further reductions will probably close recreation centers to the public in evening hours; the swimming pool program will be severely curtailed, including the distinct possibility of not opening some swimming pools at all.

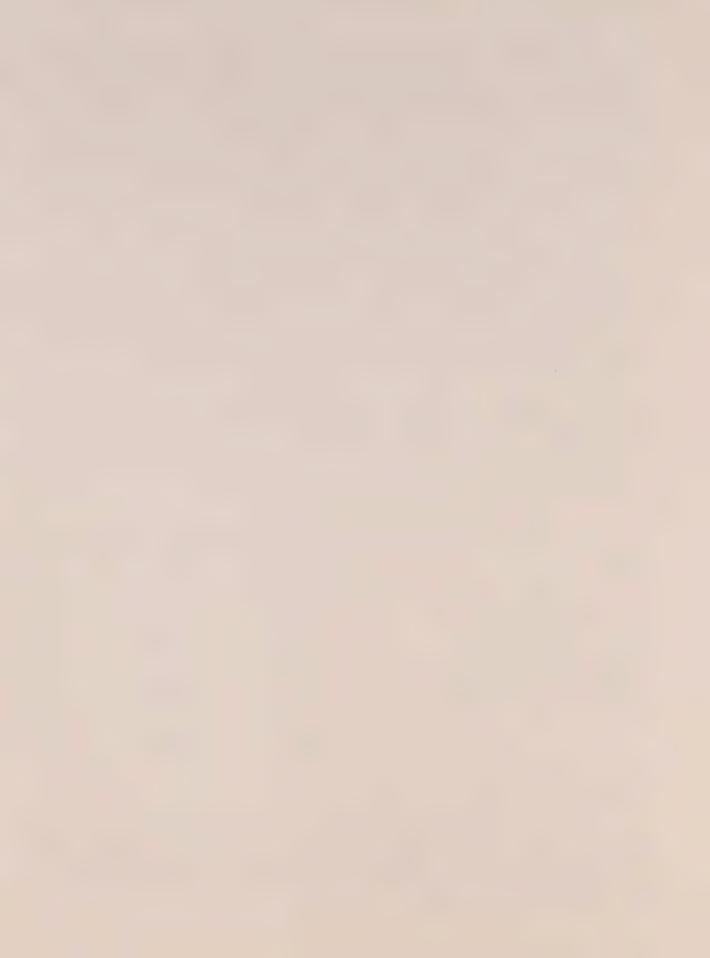
The Committee recommends a partial restoration to the Office of Youth Opportunity Services, because of the matching requirement of a federal grant. The Committee has been informed that approximately 34 persons would be terminated without these funds, and that the grant requirement for 25% matching necessitates a restoration of some funds in order to secure the full \$1.4 million funding of the grant.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR RESTORATIONS:

		Across-the-	Total
Agency	Within-grades	Board	Restoration
D.C.Public Schools	2500.0	3513.0	6013.0
D.C. Teachers College	101.1	214.2	315.3
Federal City College	595.1	760.8	1355.9
Washington Technical Institute	204.7	436.0	640.7
Department of Recreation	n.a.	1473.0	1473.0
Office of Youth Opportunity Services	n.a.	326.3	326.3
Total	3400.9	6723.3	10124.2

Committee Directives

The Mayor's disapproval of Sec 3(c) of the General Provisions of the Appropriations Act nullifies any specific directives included in the reports from the substantive committees. The Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs reaffirms its intent to have the following directives addressed by the Executive.



It is recommended that the Board of Education examine its policies on evaluation and begin implementation in FY 1976 of comprehensive student evaluation of grades 1-12.

The Committee is committed to the concept of accountability and democratic process in public institutions. It is incumbent upon the Board of Education to provide a regular channel for community involvement; schools cannot function in isolation from the community which they serve. As the agents of the citizenry for educating its children, it is requisite that educational institutions become open and accountable.

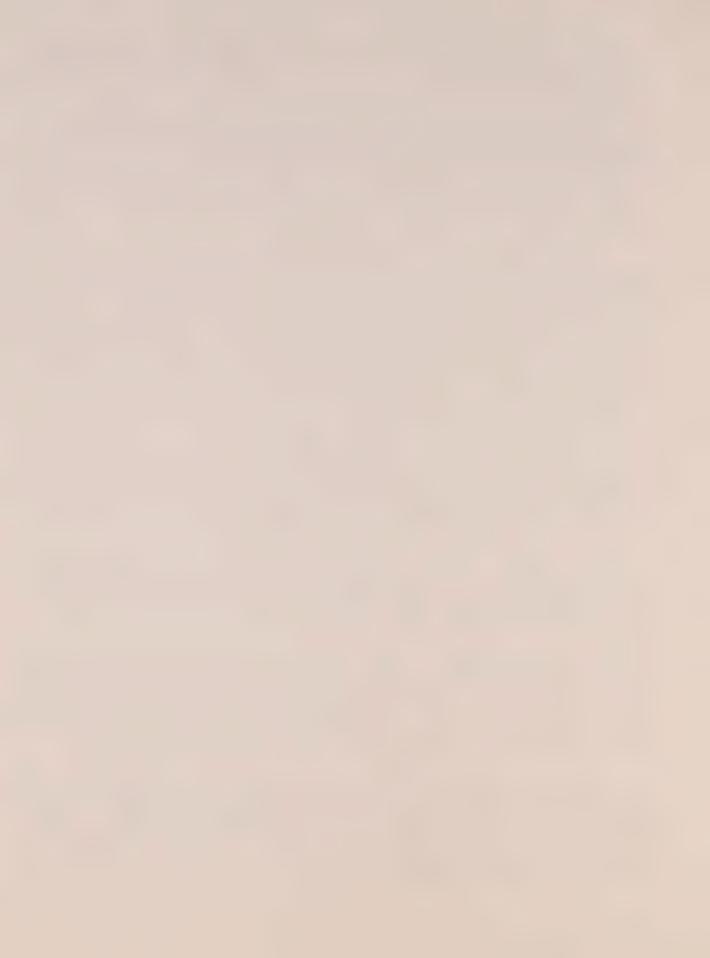
The Committee is concerned that adequate coordination is not being performed between the D.C. Public Schools and other governmental agencies. The development of space requirements for public facilities such as school buildings should not be performed in a vacuum. The Schools are commended for their recent cooperative effort with the Public Library for sharing facilities at the Garnet Wilkinson School/Library. Further exploration of such shared utilization of facilities is strongly recommended. The Committee will be reviewing future capital requests with a strong interest in receiving documentation of significant efforts in this area.

The Committee requests that the Board of Education meet with the Office of Youth Opportunity Services specifically to investigate fully and provide a report to this Committee concerning the transfer of the D.C. Street Academy and all associated funding to the D.C. Public Schools. The Committee requests this report no later than September 1, 1975.

The Committee recommends that the Department of Recreation meet regularly with the D.C. Public Schools to provide increased meshing of services, better planning for facilities use, and review problems which may emerge in their cooperative efforts.

The Committee directs that the Office of Youth Opportunity Services meet with the Board of Education specifically to provide for their full investigation and provide a report to this Committee concerning the transfer of the D.C. Street Academy and its \$225,000 allocation to the D.C. Public Schools. The Committee requests this report no later than September 1, 1975.

The Committee directs that the Office of Youth Opportunity Services meet with the Department of Human Resources specifically to provide for their full investigation and provide a report to this Committee concerning the transfer of the 24-Hour Youth Assistance Centers and its \$450,000 allocation to the Department of Human Resources. The Committee requests this report no later than September 1, 1975.



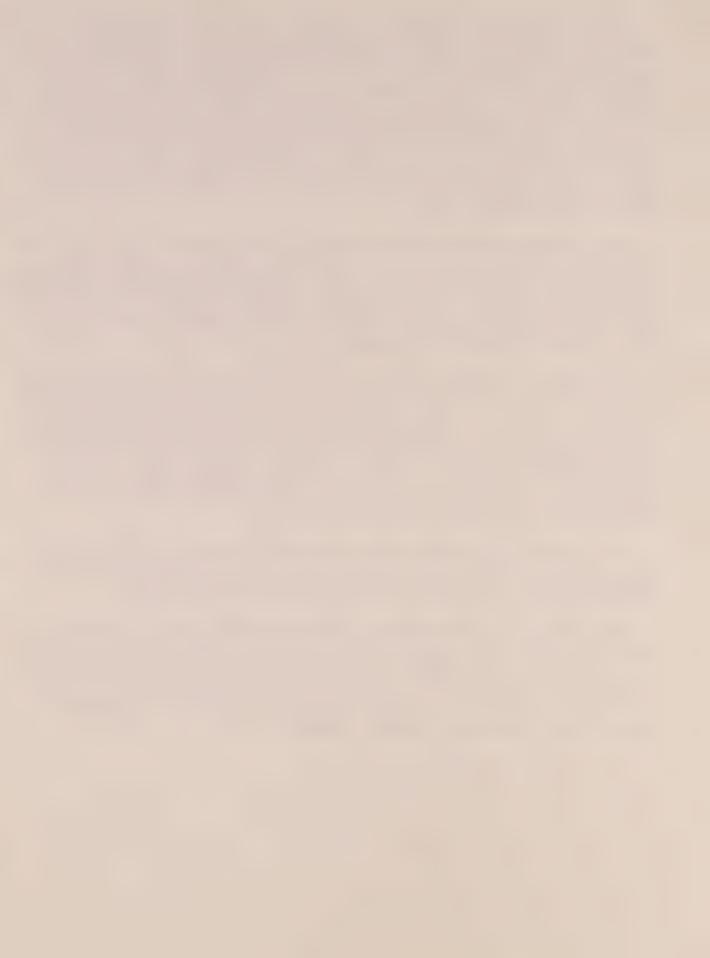
The Committee is concerned that there appears to be duplication of services, fragmentation, and overlapping in recreational Youth Programs. The Committee directs that the Office of Youth Opportunity Services meet with the Department of Recreation to explore more imaginative utilization of the Recreation Support Program, especially in terms of a greater degree of control of grant funds by that department. The Committee further directs the Mayor to designate the Department of Recreation as the State agency charged with operation of this program; under the Executive's auspices, the Office of Youth Opportunity Services must provide a report on this issue no later than September 1, 1975.

The Committee directs that the Office of Youth Opportunity Services meet with the Department of Recreation specifically to develop a report on the transfer of the Youth Conservation Corps grant to the Department of Recreation. Since this department is charged with the oversight of the parks, this program might more appropriately be assigned there. The Committee requests a report on this matter no later than September 1, 1975.

The Committee directs that the Office of Youth Opportunity Services meet with the Department of Manpower to investigate fully the utilization of all federal Department of Labor grants such as the Comprehensive Employment and Training Program, Program for Economically Disadvantaged Youth and Summer Employment (transportation), which are currently assigned to the Office of Youth Opportunity Services. This Committee requests a comprehensive report no later than September 1, 1975 to consider transfer of such grants to the Department of Manpower.

The Committee requests a full report on the Community Action Program and involvement of the Office of Youth Opportunity Services with the D.C. Public Şchools in its operation no later than September 1, 1975.

The Committee recommends that all Neighborhood Planning Council funds be equitably apportioned to the 20 Councils. The Committee requires a detailed report on the allocation of all funds, from all sources, to each Council, for FY 1974, FY 1975, and FY 1976, no later than September 1, 1975. This report should provide detailed analysis of the FY 1976 apportionment between the Neighborhood Planning Councils.



June 4, 1975

Mr. Henry E. Carpenter 2624 Martin Luther King Avenue, S.E. Washington, D.C. 20020

Dear Mr. Carpenter:

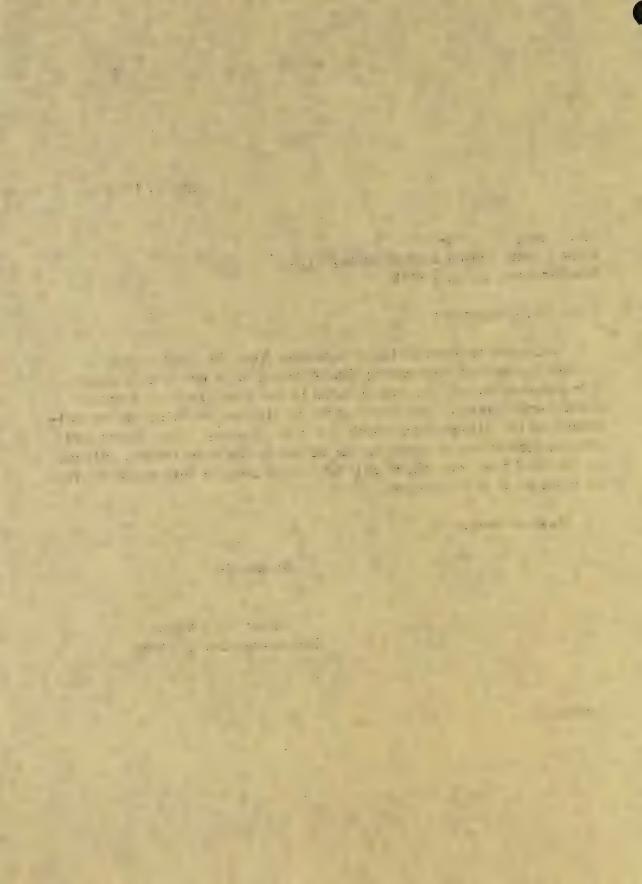
Enclosed is a preliminary response from the Department of Human Resources concerning the problems with which your cousin, Miss Norma Brown, has experienced in the convalescent home of Mrs. Leola Evans. The Department is also undertaking an investigation of the allegations which you made against Mrs. Evans and will be forwarding a report to our office in the near future. Please be assured that this office will forward a copy of this report to you as soon as it is available.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Julius W. Hobson Councilmember at large

Enclosure



Council of the District of Columbia Memorandum

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Reverend Jerry A. Moore, Jr., Chairman of the Transportation and To

Environmental Affairs Committee

Julius W. Hobson, Committee Member J. W H From

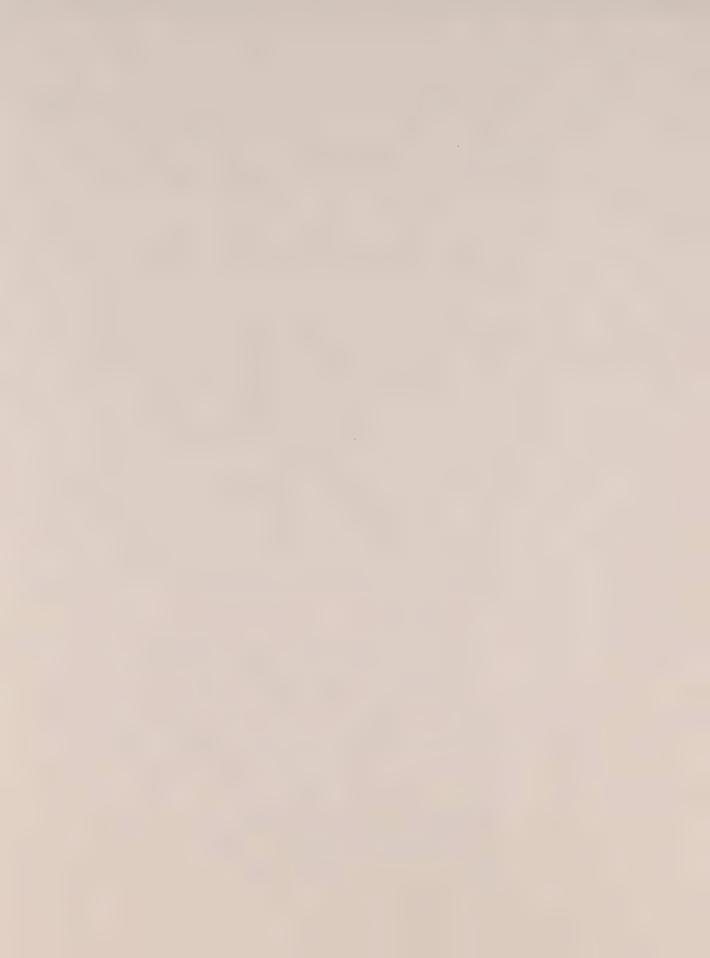
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Statement on "The Returnable Beverage Container Act of 1975" to Subject be submitted for the record of the Hearings on Beverage Container

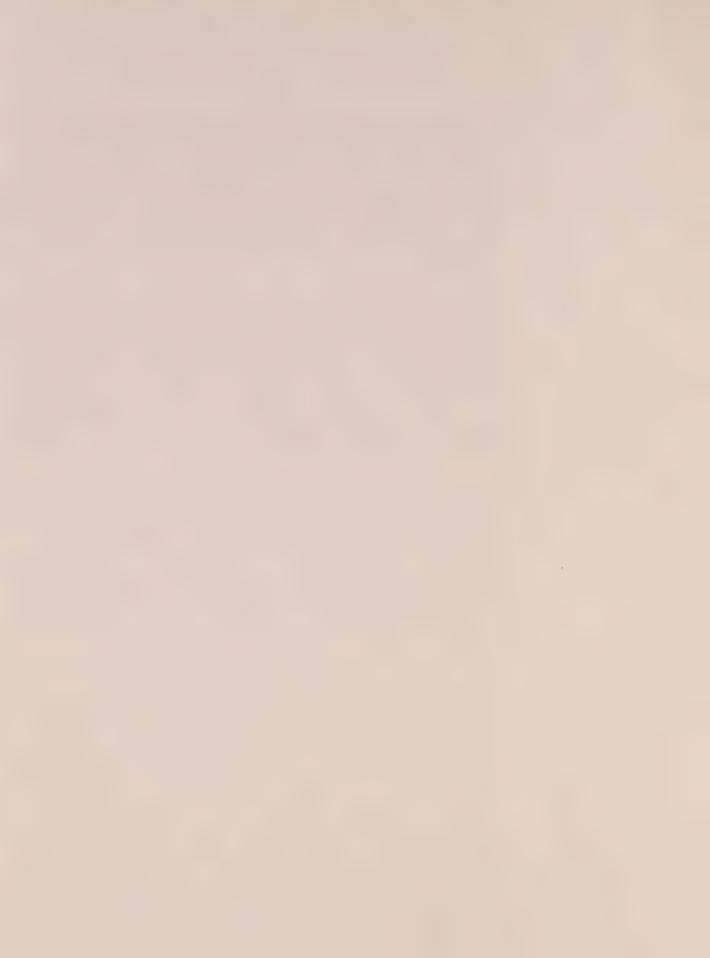
Legislation, June 4 and 5, 1975

I introduced "The Returnable Beverage Container Act of 1975" (RBCA) on March 14. 1975. The essential thrust of this bill is similar to that of the "Beverage Container Act of 1975" (BCA) introduced by Mrs. Polly Shackleton and Reverend Jerry A. Moore, Jr. Both bills would require a minimum deposit to be paid on all beverage containers sold in Washington, D.C. and thus bring about the implementation of an all returnable system for the District. However, there are a number of significant differences between the two bills:

- First, the Returnable Beverage Container Act would take effect on June 1, 1976. BCA would take effect on July 1, 1976. Implementing a refillable beverage container regulation in June 1976 would coinside with the summer bicentennial celebration and increases in tourism. The Mayor could authorize the use of CETA funds to aid dealers and distributors with additional labor costs for a minimum of six months.
- Second, the Returnable Beverage Container Act calls for a 0 minimum cash refund value of ten cents rather than five cents proposed in the previously introduced "bottle bill." A ten cent refund would provide a more adequate incentive for young people and adults to return beverage containers in a tourist oriented capital with daily parades, demonstrations, and public meetings -- particularly during the bicentennial year.
- Third, the enforcement provisions of the Returnable Beverage (3) Container Act would be stronger than the earlier bill. RBCA calls for a \$1,000 fine for each day of non-compliance rather than a \$50 fine. Any large retail dealer could elect to write off a \$50 a day loss in fines in order to maintain non-returnable beverage containers.



- Fourth, the Returnable Beverage Container Act also provides an opportunity for a citizen to initiate civil action against a dealer or distributor who violates the provisions of this Act or against the Executive where there is an alleged failure on his part to carry out the Act's provisions. This provision adds strength to the enforcement provisions in the event there is laxity in bringing about compliance on the part of the Executive.
- of one-way plastic beverage containers would be prohibited. The plastics industry is now in the process of test marketing plastic beverage containers. Although lighter and less susceptible to breakage than glass, present methods of disposing of such containers can pose a hazard to public health and safety. Even if incinerated the plastic containers would give off lethal vinyl chloride and cyanide gas fumes adding further to the problem of air quality and pollution in the District.
- e Finally, the Returnable Beverage Container Act would become effective immediately upon enactment and would not depend upon enactment of similar acts in the surrounding jurisdictions. The Council has the opportunity to pass a progressive and far reaching piece of legislation which place a premium on the environment and the quality of life for the residents in the District. Passage of this bill would set the trend for other jurisdictions within the region and nation to follow.



Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs

Julius W. Hobson, Chairperson

June 4, 1975

FY 1976 Budget

The Budget Committee has requested that our specific recommendations concerning the directives contained in our budget reports and the Mayor's veto of the Council's budget actions be completed by the end of this week.

Because of our original unanimous agreement, that the funding level of the agencies under our purview not be substantially reduced, I am proposing that we accept the majority of the Mayor's vetoes. I would further suggest that we reaffirm the specific directives contained in the Committee reports. Ms. Pat Miner will contact you to ascertain your views in this matter.

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June 3, 1975

National Consumers Congress 1346 Connecticut Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20036

Gentlemen:

I would like to request a copy of the Citizen's Energy Platform prepared by the Center for Science in the Public Interest and several other public interest organizations.

Enclosed is \$1.00 to cover the cost of handling and mailing.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Paul Sanders Brown
Executive Assistant to Councilmember Hobson

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